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Pipeline Safety

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Inspection Summary

Inspection Type	Location	ICC Analyst	Inspection Unit(s)	Man Day(s)	Inspection Date(s)	Contact(s)
Damage Prevention Activities	Chicago	Aaron McElravy	Division	3	9/10/2014, 9/8/2014, 9/9/2014	Kamara Smith, Vip Kapoor, William Houghton

Statement of Activities

On September 8-10, 2014, Staff conducted a Damage Prevention Audit at Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company ("PGL") to determine compliance with applicable IL Adm. Codes and the Code of Federal Regulations adopted via IL Adm. Part 590. Staff focused on damage prevention activities utilized to prevent excavation damage to pipeline facilities.

Staff met with PGL on September 8, 2014, regarding a recent study conducted comparing how other states and utilities are reporting damages and the inconsistencies associated with the one-call programs. Staff also observed the cross bore program regarding legacy pipe installations to validate that installation requirements were in accordance with the Operations and Maintenance Manual ("O&M") General Order 0.801 Procedure and Policies for Addressing Legacy Sewer Cross Bores. PGL contract crews were conducting the inspection of sewer mains, laterals, and drainage systems for storm water on St. Louis Avenue between 103rd and 105th Street.

On September 9, 2014, Staff attended the Greater Chicago Damage Prevention Council ("GCDPC") meeting as a guest. Staff observed good communication regarding addressing gaps in the damage prevention program and issues with current practices and procedures. After the meeting Staff met with PGL and the president of the GCDPC council who is also a representative for the City of Chicago to discuss concerns related to damage prevention. Some of the items discussed were the new software Digger will be implementing, the hiring of additional staff, limiting excavation tickets, best practices, and exploring additional tools and resources associated with damage prevention. Staff then discussed preliminary numbers associated with statistical data to date with PGL's. Some of the items PGL is implementing to address deficiencies are adding additional contractors utilized to locate facilities without the reduction of personnel from the current contractor, installation of marker balls to identify hard to locate facilities, and the use of project locators which are assigned to a specific project to work with the contractor to mitigate damage to facilities.

Staff observed field employees engaged in the watch and protect program for critical facilities. The City of Chicago was completing a water main replacement and catch basin at the 4400 block of Lamon Street. Facilities at this location included a 48 inch cast iron main which was not exposed, but was considered a critical facility due to the size of the main and proximity to the excavation in accordance with PGL's O&M Exhibit 9, 8.0 Leak Survey and Inspection of PGL Facilities/Pipelines in Close Proximity to Foreign Excavation/Construction Projects.

Staff concluded the Audit on September 10, 2014, with the inspection and identification of Pipeline Markers near the Crawford Station Area to ensure they contained the required information in accordance with the requirements under Part 192.707 and the O&M Exhibit 9, 6.0 Permanent Marking of Pipelines. Staff did call the operator's number listed on the pipeline marker to validate it was current. Staff discovered the pipeline markers did not display a clear message regarding the use of the one-call. Staff

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requests PGL investigate pipeline markers inside and outside the City of Chicago and determine if they are meeting the requirements of 192.707 and providing a clear message regarding the use of the one-call. Once Staff is provided the results, they will determine if additional compliance action will be taken. Additional information can be obtained from the following resources: API RP 1162 4.6.1 Transmission Pipeline Markers, and the Common Ground Alliance Version 7.0, 2-5 Markers for Underground Facilities.

INSPECTION FINDINGS

Damage Prevention Activities

Issues(s) Found:

[NO ISSUES FOUND]

Notice Of Amendment(s) Found:

[NO NOAS FOUND]

Notice Of Violation(s) Found:

[NO NOPVS FOUND]

PAST INSPECTION FINDINGS

Issue(s) Corrected:

[NO ISSUES CORRECTED]

Notice Of Amendment(s) Corrected:

[NO NOAS CORRECTED]

Notice of Violations(s) Corrected:

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